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CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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BOARD MEETING NOTICE

Thursday, March 25, 2004, 3:30 p.m.

CMA Board Room

1333 Broadway, Suite 220

Oakland, California 94612

(see map on last page of agenda)

Chair: Director Peter Snyder

Vice Chair: Councilmember Larry
Reid

Executive Director: Dennis R. Fay

Secretary: Christina Muller

AGENDA (#)

1.0 ROLL CALL Confirm Quorum 3:30 p.m.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT 3:35 p.m.

Members of the public may address the Board during "Public Comment" on any item not on the agenda. Public comment on an agenda item will be heard when that item is before the CMA Board. Anyone wishing to comment should make his or her desire known to the Chair.

4.0 CHAIR'S/VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT Information/Action 3:40 p.m.

5.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT* (page 1) Information/Action 3:45 p.m.

6.0 CONSENT CALENDAR Approval 3:50 p.m.

6.1 Meeting Minutes February 7, 2004 and February 26, 2004* (page 29)

6.2 Financial Reports: February 2004* (page 43)

Consent Items recommended by the following committees:

6.3 Plans & Programs Committee

6.3.1 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP): ACE Rail Siding Extension Request* (page 51)

It is recommended that the Board approve a 20-month extension for the ACE Rail Siding Project in the Livermore Valley area. The project is programmed to receive \$1 million in the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program component of the STIP in fiscal year 2003-04. This project has been delayed due to the shortage of STIP funds. Due to the delayed approval of the 2004 STIP an extension is necessary to bridge the gap to the new STIP.

6.3.2 Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA): Preliminary Draft FY 2004-05 County Program* (page 53)

The CMA has received eleven applications totaling \$3.37 million for the 2004-05 program. The attached preliminary draft program of projects exceeds the available funding of \$1.31 million and further refinement will be needed to reach this target. Staff is continuing to work with sponsors to constrain the program to the available funding and is also exploring exchange options for a final program to be approved at the April 22, 2004 meeting. It is recommended that the Board release the preliminary draft program for comment.

6.4 Administration & Legislation Committee

6.4.1 Countywide Transportation Plan (CWTP): Contract for Public Outreach* (page 57)

MTC adopted guidelines for CMAs to use for involving the public in the development of investment plans as shown in Attachment 1. Planning area budgets were established by the CMA Board on February 26th. The planning areas are meeting to develop their investment recommendations. Public outreach meetings will be held in each of the planning areas in April. In order to meet the schedule, a Request for Proposals seeking consultant services was issued in February and a consultant has been selected, Public Affairs Management. The Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement for consultant services for facilitation and support for public outreach meetings in Alameda County in an amount not to exceed \$29,500.

6.4.2 SMART Corridors Program: Amendment to Agreement with AC Transit* (page 61)

It is recommended that the CMA Board:

- (1) Authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the agreement with AC Transit to increase the amount of AC Transit contributions to the SMART Corridors Program by \$1,150,000 for a total amount of \$2,082,000 to implement the following items:
 - Additional funding to cover the completion of the Interim Traffic Signal Coordination on Broadway from 3rd Street to 20th Street - \$25,000;
 - Design and replacement of existing controller cabinet assemblies with Type 332/170E controller assemblies with a new GPS unit on Broadway from 3rd Street to 20th Street as part of Final Traffic Signal Coordination work - \$700,000;
 - Provide AC Transit assistance with obtaining PG&E service for bus shelters - \$25,000.
 - Signal Interconnect on E-14th Street - \$400,000;
- (2) Authorize the Executive Director to execute and amend the necessary SMART Corridors Program agreements to administer, design and construct the above items.

6.4.3 ACA 21 (Bogh): Proposition 42 Change* (page 63)

This measure would amend the State Constitution to change the vote threshold for the Legislature to pass a bill suspending Proposition 42 from two-thirds to four-fifths of the members of each house. This measure is consistent with the CMA's adopted Legislative Program. It is recommended that the CMA Board support this measure and seek the amendments outlined in the attached memo.

6.4.4 ACA 24 (Dutra): Proposition 42 Change* (page 67)

This measure would amend the State Constitution to change the conditions under which loans of Proposition 42 funds can be made to the general fund. This measure is consistent with the CMA's adopted Legislative Program. It is recommended that the CMA Board support this measure.

6.4.5 AB 1065 (Longville): County Option to Double Transportation Development Act Rate* (page 73)

This bill would provide counties statewide with the option of increased funding for transit service and, in some rural counties, streets and roads by allowing county boards of supervisors to place on a countywide ballot a doubling of the existing one-quarter percent Transportation Development Act sales tax. The attached memo provides additional information on this bill. This measure is consistent with the CMA's adopted Legislative Program. It is recommended that the CMA Board support this bill.

6.4.6 SB 1614 (Torlakson) & AB 2847 (Oropeza): User Fee Increase* (page 81)

SB 1614 would impose a 10¢ fee on each gallon of fuel sold in California and deposit the revenue in a special account. Of this fee, 90% would be used to finance the maintenance, operation, improvement, and construction of the state highway and local street and road system. 10% would be used to finance environmental programs that mitigate the air impacts of motor vehicles. AB 2847 would impose a 5¢ fee on each gallon of fuel sold in California until January 1, 2008. These bills are consistent with the CMA's adopted Legislative Program. It is recommended that the CMA Board support these bills in concept.

***** END OF CONSENT ITEMS *****

7.0 PLANS & PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORTS	Information/Action	3:55 p.m.
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7.1 Countywide Transportation Plan: Status Report and Opportunity for Public Input* (page 91)

The Countywide Transportation Plan serves as the basis for the Alameda County component of the Regional Transportation Plan. The deadline for projects to be submitted to MTC is May 2004. The planning areas are meeting in late March to develop their project lists for consideration by the CMA Board. Public outreach meetings will be conducted from mid-April to early May in order to meet MTC's deadline. The first of these meetings will occur prior to the April Board meeting. It is therefore recommended that, at its April 12, 2004 meeting, the Plans and Programs Committee be authorized to approve the draft list of projects to be used at the public outreach meetings. This draft list will be confirmed at the April Board meeting. It is also recommended that the Board continue to take public comment on the evolving Plan at its March, April and May meetings.

8.0 ADMINISTRATION & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORTS	Information/Action	4:05 p.m.
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8.1 FY 2004-2005 Budget & Work Program* (page 97)

In accordance with the joint powers agreement, the CMA Board must adopt a budget in March of each year. A draft budget was released for review and comment in February. Due to the State budget crisis, there are significant uncertainties with regard to several projects and programs included in the work program and budget. No comments have been received on the budget or work program. With the recent passage of Regional Measure 2, changes have been made to the draft budget and work plan. It is recommended that the Board approve the final budget and work program. *Note: 18 affirmative votes required*

8.2 AB 2628 (Pavley): Carpool Lane Use by Hybrids* (page 115)

This bill would permit hybrid vehicles that get at least 45 mpg, regardless of occupancy, to use carpool lanes and to receive reduced rate passage on toll bridges. To use these lanes the hybrid vehicle would need to be issued a decal, label or other identifier. This bill would not allow hybrid vehicles to be issued the decal, label or other identifier unless federal law authorizes the use of high occupancy vehicle lanes by hybrids. As explained in the attached memo, it is not clear that the incentive offered in this bill is sufficient to spur hybrid purchases or that there is a fuel efficiency argument for such an incentive. Nevertheless, it is clear that hybrids produce less air pollution than comparable vehicles or the average vehicle in the fleet. Single occupant hybrid access to HOV lanes could also congest these lanes in certain locations, reduce the incentive for carpooling, adversely impact express bus services using HOV lanes, negatively impact the CMA's proposed I-680 SMART Carpool Lane project, and may have some adverse impacts on low income motorists. The Administration & Legislation Committee has forwarded this bill to the Board for discussion and a possible position.

**9.0 BART SFO EXTENSION: DISCUSSIONS WITH SAN MATEO COUNTY
REGARDING OPERATING SUBSIDY SUPPORT Information/Discussion 4:15 p.m.**

BART will brief the CMA Board on the status of the discussions regarding San Mateo County's support of the operating subsidy for the SFO BART extension.

10.0 OTHER BUSINESS

11.0 ADJOURNMENT 4:30 p.m.

* Attachment enclosed for members and key staff.

** Materials will be handed out at the meeting.

(#) All items on the agenda are subject to action and/or change by the CMA Board. Times for agenda items are approximate.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITIES MAY ATTEND*

NEXT MEETINGS

THURSDAY, April 22, 2004; 3:30 P.M.; CMA Board Room, Oakland

THURSDAY, May 27, 2004; 3:30 P.M.; CMA Board Room, Oakland

THURSDAY, June 24, 2004; 3:30 P.M.; CMA Board Room, Oakland